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ANNUAL REPORT

## LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS

### Selectmen

J. LYMAN BELKNAP                    A. FRANK GARNEY  
M. GODFREY MATTSON

### Town Clerk

C. TRACY WILLEY

### Treasurer

BERTHA W. PALMER

### Tax Collector

MALCOLM M. FERGUSON

### Highway Agent

RAYMOND L. NASON

### Police Officer

MALCOLM M. FERGUSON

### Moderator

JASPER T. PALMER

### Supervisors

WILLIAM TARLETON                    CHARLES A. WITHAM  
RAYMOND L. NASON

### Ballot Clerks

MARY L. COTTON                      HARRIET TARLETON  
CARL C. HANSEN                      IRENE L. CATE

### School Board

CHARLES WITHAM                      WILLIAM TARLETON  
WILLIAM HANSEN

### Auditors

ALICE M. CHURCHILL                 WENDELL P. KEENE

**WARRANT FOR THE  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

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**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

(L. S.)

**To the Inhabitants of the Town of Brookfield in the County of Carroll in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Brookfield on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money to defray town expenses in anticipation of taxes.
4. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Town Road Aid on Class V Highways and appropriate the sum of \$230.58.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$50.00 for the Lakes Region Association.
6. To see if the Town will vote to set aside the sum of \$1,000.00 of the 1954 Cash Surplus as a Capital Reserve Fund.
7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to purchase and install larger culverts on the Stoneham Road.
8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$800.00 to be expended on the Hahn Road. (Petition of Mrs. L. B. Hahn)
9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the Sanbornville Fire Precinct.
10. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$100.00 to assist the Mothers' Club with the purchase of a gas range for the Town Hall.

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11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the maintenance of the Sanbornville dump.

12. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting

Given under our hands and seal, this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fiftyfive.

J. LYMAN BELKNAP

A. FRANK GARNEY

M. GODFREY MATTSON

Selectmen of Brookfield

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

J. LYMAN BELKNAP

A. FRANK GARNEY

M. GODFREY MATTSON

Selectmen of Brookfield

**BUDGET OF THE  
TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, N. H.**

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Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954.

**SOURCE OF REVENUE**

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1954	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1954	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1955
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 5,721.16	\$ 5,000.00
Railroad Tax	100.00	94.62	96.00
Savings Bank Tax	5.00	3.15	3.00
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber .	1,000.00	584.53	800.00
<b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>			
Dog Licenses	52.00	56.00	54.00
Filing Fees	4.00	4.00	
(a) Highway, including rental of equipment	135.00	185.00	150.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	525.00	683.18	650.00
Cash Surplus	2,645.35	1,645.35	1,881.66
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2	160.00	120.00	120.00
Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$ 9,522.35	\$ 9,096.99	\$ 8,754.66
<b>Amount To Be Raised By Property Taxes</b>			
	9,018.64	9,059.95	11,295.29
Total Revenues			\$20,049.95

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## PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Appro- priations Previous Year 1954	Actual Ex- penditures Previous Year 1954	Est. Ex- penditures Ensuing Year 1955
<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>			
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 900.00	\$ 888.78	\$ 975.00
Town Officers' Expenses	525.00	516.90	550.00
Election and Registration Expenses	240.00	193.57	80.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	150.00	115.66	900.00
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>			
Police Department	10.00	2.00	10.00
Fire Dept. and Sanbornville Precinct	400.00	85.38	400.00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust and Care of Trees	200.00	200.00	200.00
Insurance	350.00	326.24	300.00
Preambulating Town Lines			200.00
<b>Health:</b>			
Health Dept., Incl. Hospitals	5.00	3.00	5.00
Vital Statistics	3.00	3.00	3.00
Town Dump, Sanbornville			50.00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Town Maintenance, Summer	2,000.00	3,281.26	2,000.00
Town Maintenance, Winter	1,500.00	1,289.37	1,500.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	800.00	736.42	800.00
Town Road Aid	284.91	284.71	230.58
<b>Public Welfare:</b>			
Town Poor	100.00		100.00
Old Age Assistance	900.00	672.67	900.00

## TOWN OF BROOKFIELD

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**Patriotic Purposes:**

Memorial Day	12.00	10.25	10.00
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**Unclassified**

Advertising and Regional Associations		50.00	
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	100.00	109.78	120.00

**Interest:**

On Temporary Loans	60.00	60.00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds	35.00	25.00

**Highways and Bridges:**

Town Culverts		1,500.00
New Equipment	670.00	642.50

**Payment on Principal of Debt:**

(b) Long Term Notes	1,000.00	1,000.00	
County Taxes	1,774.04	1,774.04	1,900.00
School Taxes	6,446.08	5,415.90	7,206.37
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Total Expenditures	\$18,540.99	\$17,576.43	\$20,049.95

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**SUMMARY OF INVENTORY VALUATION**

Lands and buildings		\$430,955.00
Electric Plants	2	28,357.00
Horses, asses and mules	9	750.00
Cows	44	3,475.00
Sheep and goats	4	40.00
Fowls	250	250.00
Portable Mills	1	1,500.00
Wood, lumber, etc.		39,470.00
Total Gross Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed		\$504,797.00
Less: Soldier's Exemptions and Exemptions to Blind		4,500.00
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate Is Computed		\$500,297.00

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS  
AND TAXES ASSESSED**

**APPROPRIATIONS**

Town officers' salaries	\$ 900.00
Town officers' expenses	525.00
Social Security or Retirement	100.00
Election and registration expenses	240.00
Town Hall and building maintenance	150.00
Police Department	10.00
Fire Department	800.00
Blister Rust—Moth extermination and care of trees	200.00
Health Department	5.00
Vital Statistics	3.00
Town Road Aid	284.71
Town Maintenance	3,500.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	800.00
Insurance	350.00
New Equipment	675.00
Old Age Assistance	900.00
Public Relief, town poor	100.00
Memorial Day	12.00
Payments on debt (principal \$1,000.00, interest \$35.00)	1,035.00
Int. on temporary loan	60.00
County tax	1,774.04
School tax	5,915.90
Total Town and School Appropriations	\$18,339.65

**Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:**

Interest and dividends tax	\$ 5,721.16
Railroad tax	100.00
Savings bank tax	3.15
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	754.34
Motor vehicle permit fees	525.00
Dog licenses	52.00
Rent of town property and equipment	135.00

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Cash Surplus	2,145.35
Other revenue	4.00
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Total revenue and credits	\$ 9,440.00
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Plus Overlay	\$ 8,899.65
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	\$ 251.70
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Less: No. of poll taxes at \$2.00	146.00
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Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured	\$ 9,005.35
<b>TAXES TO BE COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR</b>	
Property taxes	\$ 9,005.35
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Total taxes to be committed	\$ 9,151.35
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Town Tax rates	1.80

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES**  
**Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1954**

	Appropriations	Refunds and Reimbursements	Total Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Over-draft
Town officers' salaries	\$ 900.00			\$ 888.78	\$ 11.22	
Town officers' expenses	525.00		516.90		8.10	
Social security and retirement	100.00		109.78			\$ 9.78
Election and registration	240.00		193.57		46.43	
Town Hall and other buildings	150.00		115.66		34.34	
Police Department	10.00		2.00		8.00	
Fire Dept. and special	800.00	\$ 574.44	\$ 857.44	485.38	372.06	
Blister rust	200.00	6.00	206.00	200.00	6.00	
Health Department	5.00			3.00	2.00	
Vital Statistics	3.00			3.00		
Town Road Aid	284.71			284.71		
Highways, summer and winter	3,500.00			4,570.63		1,070.63
Gen. expenses of Highway Dept.	800.00			736.42		63.58
Insurance	350.00	30.50	370.50		326.24	44.26
New Equipment	675.00			642.50		32.50
Old age assistance	900.00	370.75	1,270.75	672.67		598.08
Town poor	100.00				100.00	
Memorial Day	12.00			10.25		1.75
Interest	95.00			25.00		70.00
Payments, long term note	1,000.00			1,000.00		
County tax	1,774.04			1,774.04		
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$12,423.75</b>			<b>\$12,560.53</b>		<b>\$ 1,080.41</b>
Unexpended Balance						\$ 317.91

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF  
BROOKFIELD**

**BALANCE SHEET**

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**ASSETS**

Cash	\$8,141.06
Capital Reserve Funds	1,000.00

**Account Due to the Town—**

Bounties	22.00
Plowing Driveways	80.00
C. A. Cotton	114.18
Fire Bill	33.75

**Uncollected Taxes:**

Levy of 1954	3,436.90
Levy of 1953	135.26
State Head Taxes—Levy of 1954	65.00
State Head Taxes—Previous Years	25.00

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Total Assets	\$13,053.15
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**LIABILITIES**

**Accounts Owned by the Town:**

Reserve a/c Future Yield Tax Loss	\$ 7,690.59
(Uncollected \$65.00) Collected not remitted to State Treas.	65.00
Due to School Districts: Balance of Appropriation	1,415.90

**Capital Reserve Funds:**

(Offsets similar Asset account)	1,000.00
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<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$10,171.49</b>
Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)	2,881.66
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$13,053.15</b>



## PAYMENTS

**Current Maintenance Expenses:**

**General Government:**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$888.78
Town Officers' expenses	516.90
Election and Registration expenses	193.57
Expenses Town Hall and other	
Town Buildings	115.66

**Protection of Persons and Property:**

Police Department	2.00
Fire Dept., including Forest Fires	85.38
Moth Extermination, Blister Rust and Care of Trees	200.00
Bounties	22.00
Insurance	326.24

**Health:**

Health Dept., including Hospitals	3.00
Vital Statistics	3.00

**Highways and Bridges:**

Town Maintenance (Summer)	3,281.26
Town Road Aid	284.71
(Winter, \$289.37)	4,570.63
Gen. Expenses of Highway Dept.	736.42

**Public Welfare:**

Old Age Assistance and aid to Totally Disabled	672.67
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**Patriotic Purposes:**

Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	10.25
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**Unclassified:**

Advanced Taxes	\$300.00
Total Payments	\$ 8,931.21

**Receipts Other than Current Revenue:**

Insurance Adjustments	20.50
Refunds	854.06
Advanced on 1954 Taxes	300.00

<b>Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 1,174.56</b>
<b>Total Receipts from All Sources</b>	<b>\$18,148.65</b>
<b>Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1954</b>	<b>9,544.50</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$27,693.15</b>
Taxes Bought by Town	7.15
Abatements	27.51
Employees' Retirement and Social Security and Costs	109.78
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	\$ 144.44
<b>Total Current Maintenance Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 9,075.65</b>
<b>Interest:</b>	
Paid on Long Term Notes	25.00
<b>Total Interest Payments</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
<b>Outlay for New Construction, Equipment and Perm. Improv.:</b>	
New Equipment (Highway \$520.00)	642.50
(Other \$122.50)	642.50
<b>Total Outlay Payments</b>	<b>\$ 642.50</b>
<b>Indebtedness:</b>	
Payments on Long Term Notes	1,000.00
<b>Total Indebtedness Payments</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>	
State Head Taxes paid State Treas.	
(1954 Taxes \$285.23) (Prior yrs. \$101.70)	386.93
Taxes Paid To County	1,774.04
Payments to Precincts, Sanbornville	400.00
Payments to School Districts (1953 Tax \$2,247.97) (1954 Tax \$4,000.00)	6,247.97
<b>Total Payments to Other Govt. Div.</b>	<b>8,808.94</b>
<b>Total Payments for all Purposes</b>	<b>19,552.09</b>
<b>Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1954</b>	<b>8,141.06</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$27,693.15</b>

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY**

Town Hall, land and buildings	\$ 7,000.00
Furniture and equipment	500.00
Fire Department, lands and buildings	
Equipment	800.00
Highway Department, lands and buildings	2,000.00
Equipment	7,900.00
Schools, lands and builings	2,000.00
Equipment	500.00
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19,700.00</b>

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**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

Auto Permits	\$735.68
Less Fees	52.50
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Dog Licenses	\$683.18
Less Fees	5.00
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Filing Fees	\$ 56.00
Remittance to Treasurer	\$ 4.00
	\$ 743.18

C. TRACY WILLEY,

Town Clerk

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**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT****LEVY OF 1954****Dr.****Taxes Committed to Collector:**

Property Taxes	\$ 9,005.35
Added Warrant	54.00
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	\$ 9,059.35
Poll Taxes	146.00
Head Taxes	410.00
Timber Yield Taxes	2,287.22
Added Taxes	
Poll Tax	2.00
Head Tax	5.00
Penalties	1.50
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	\$11,911.07

**Cr.****Remittances to Treasurer:**

Property Taxes	\$ 7,148.74
Poll Taxes	120.00
Head Taxes and Penalties	331.50
Yield Taxes	782.93
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	\$ 8,383.17

**Uncollected Taxes:**

Property Taxes	\$ 1,910.61
Poll Taxes	22.00
Head Taxes	65.00
Yield Taxes	1,504.29
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	\$ 3,501.90

**Abatements Allowed:**

Poll Taxes	\$ 6.00
Head Taxes	20.00
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	\$ 26.00
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	\$11,911.07

## LEVY OF 1953

Dr.

## Uncollected Taxes, January 1, 1954:

Property Taxes	\$968.27
Poll Taxes	12.00
Head Taxes	35.00
Yield Taxes	798.25
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	\$ 1,813.52

## Added Taxes:

Interest	\$48.34
Penalties	1.50
	—————
	\$ 49.84
	—————
	\$ 1,863.36

Cr.

## Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$957.81
Poll Taxes	4.00
Head Taxes	10.00
Penalties	1.50
Yield Taxes	679.45
Interest	48.34
	—————
	\$ 1,701.10

## Uncollected Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$10.46
Yield Taxes	118.80
Poll Taxes	6.00
Head Taxes	20.00
Abatements	7.00
	—————
	\$ 162.26
	—————
	\$ 1,863.36

## LEVY OF 1952

Dr.

## Uncollected Taxes, January 1, 1954:

Property Taxes	\$10.85
Head Tax	5.00

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Yield Taxes	28.14	
Added: Interest	1.14	
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	\$	45.13
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<b>Remittances to Treasurer:</b>		
Property Taxes	\$10.85	
Yield Taxes	28.14	
Interest	1.14	
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	\$	40.13
<b>Uncollected Tax:</b>		
Benjamin Welch, Head Tax	\$5.00	
	\$	5.00
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	\$	45.13

**LEVY OF 1951**

Dr.

<b>Uncollected Taxes, January 1, 1954:</b>		
Property Tax	\$5.10	
Interest	.84	
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	\$	5.94

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<b>Remittances to Treasurer:</b>		
Property Tax and Interest	\$	5.94

**TAX SALE LEVY OF 1953**

Forest Rice Property to Weston Warren		
Taxes	\$11.00	
Interest	.44	
Costs	2.17	
Reg. Fee	1.55	
Total	\$15.16	

**TAX SALES REDEEMED****LEVY OF 1952**

West, Tax \$12.79 and added interest, \$.38	\$13.17	
Jackman	9.48	
Royle	3.46	
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	\$	26.11

**MALCOLM M. FERGUSON,**  
Tax Collector

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

For Fiscal Year 1954

**RECEIPTS****Malcolm M. Ferguson, Tax Collector:**

Property tax, Levy 1954	\$ 7,148.74
Poll taxes, 1954	120.00
Yield taxes, 1954	782.93
Head taxes, 1954	330.00
Property and yield taxes, previous years	1,681.35
Poll taxes, previous years	4.00
State Head taxes, previous years	10.00
Interest on taxes	50.32
State Head tax penalties	3.00
Tax sales redeemed	26.11
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	\$ 10,156.45

**State Treasurer:**

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$ 5,721.16
Railroad Tax	94.62
Savings Bank Tax	3.15
Fighting forest fires	16.78
Bounties	24.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	6.75
T. R. A. Equipment Refund	12.50
State Head Tax refund	4.50
Blister Rust refund	6.00
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	\$ 5,889.46

**C. Tracey Willey, Town Clerk:**

Auto registration permits	\$ 683.18
Dog Licenses	56.00
Filing fees	4.00
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	\$ 743.18

**Other Sources:**

Wentworth Ins. Agency, refund	\$ 20.00
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Osgood, Rexall Drug, refund	4.00
Emily Wentworth Home	360.00
Forest fire refund, James Bennett	40.66
John E. Drew Estate	449.40
Rent of Town Property	185.00
Advance payment of 1954 taxes	300.00
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	\$ 1,359.56
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 18,148.65</b>
Cash on hand, January 1, 1954	9,544.50
<b>Total Amount Available</b>	<b>\$ 27,693.15</b>
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## PAYMENTS

Paid by Selectmen's orders	\$ 19,552.09
Cash on hand, December, 31, 1954	\$ 8,141.06

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A true summary of accounts, taken from books of Treasurer, for fiscal year 1954, and respectfully submitted to you by

BERTHA W. PALMER

Treasurer

**DETAILED RECEIPTS**  
**RENT OF TOWN PROPERTY**

**Plowing Driveways**

**1953**

William D. Tarleton	\$	10.00
Albert E. Whittaker		5.00
Walter Peterson		5.00
Norris Cate		5.00
Bert Holman		5.00
Howard Sawyer		10.00
Edward L. Howes		10.00
Mary L. Cotton		5.00
Charles Q. York		5.00
Edward White		10.00
Myron Cate		5.00
J. Lyman Belknap		10.00
Harold Feist		5.00
C. Tracy Willey		5.00
Ernest Flint		5.00
John Lee		10.00
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	\$	110.00

**1954**

Jasper Palmer	\$	5.00
Walter Peterson		5.00
C. Tracy Willey		5.00
J. Lyman Belknap		10.00
Norris Cate		5.00
Ernest Flint		5.00
Mary L. Cotton		5.00
Bert Holman		5.00
Charles York		5.00
Howard Sawyer		10.00
John Lee		10.00
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	\$	70.00
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Edgar Drown, Rent of Town Roller	\$	180.00
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	\$	5.00

**DETAILED PAYMENTS****TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES**

J. Lyman Belknap, Selectman	\$ 196.00
A. Frank Garney, Selectman	196.00
M. Godfrey Mattson, Selectman	196.00
C. Tracy Willey, Town Clerk	68.60
Bertha W. Palmer, Treasurer	58.50
Malcolm M. Ferguson, Tax Collector	139.97
M. Godfrey Mattson, Trustee of Trust Funds	4.90
Wendell P. Keene, Auditor	6.00
Alice M. Churchill, Auditor	6.00
O. A. S. I.	16.51
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	\$ 888.78

**TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES**

J. Lyman Belknap	\$ 24.10
A. Frank Garney	15.60
M. Godfrey Mattson	86.11
C. Tracy Willey	39.50
Bertha W. Palmer	33.40
Malcolm M. Ferguson	9.00
Reporter Press	238.00
Brown and Saltmarsh	29.53
Edson C. Eastman	8.20
Wheeler and Clark	3.25
Sargent Bros.	7.70
Lee T. Gray	6.26
Stationery Shop	2.75
Wake-Brook Press	5.50
N. H. Assessors' Association	5.00
N. H. Tax Collectors' Association	3.00
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	\$ 516.90

**ELECTION AND REGISTRATION**

Jasper T. Palmer, Moderator	\$ 14.70
William D. Tarleton, Supervisor	34.30
Charles A. Witham, Supervisor	34.30
Raymond L. Nason, Supervisor	34.30
Carl C. Hansen, Ballot Clerk	14.70
Mary L. Cotton, Ballot Clerk	14.70
Harriet Tarleton, Ballot Clerk	14.70

**TOWN OF BROOKFIELD**

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Irene L. Cate, Ballot Clerk	14.70
Kingswood Press	13.57
O. A. S. I.	3.60
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	\$ 193.57

**TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS**

Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$ 22.75
M. Godfrey Mattson	52.50
Diamond Match Co.	3.16
J. M. Haynes Estate	36.20
O. A. S. I.	1.05
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	\$ 115.66

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

M. Godfrey Mattson	\$ 2.00
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**FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FOREST FIRES**

C. Tracy Willey, Warden	\$ 43.49
Guy Foss, Wolfeboro Warden	30.73
N. H. Forestry & Recreation Comm.	11.16
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	\$ 85.38

**BLISTER RUST**

State of New Hampshire	\$ 200.00
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**BOUNTIES**

Porcupines	\$ 22.00
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**INSURANCE**

Wentworth Insurance Agency	\$ 326.24
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**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

C. Tracy Willey	\$ 3.00
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**VITAL STATISTICS**

C. Tracy Willey	\$ 3.00
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**TOWN MAINTENANCE****Summer Highway**

R. L. Nason	\$ 1,128.96
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E. B. Nason	133.68
R. W. Nason	114.17
A. L. Nason	115.56
E. E. Nason	52.15
E. R. Nason	45.09
G. E. West	119.96
Guy Garland	60.86
R. L. Cate	251.54
A. A. Boston	14.12
M. G. Mattson	3.53
Edgar Drown, Grade	223.75
Stephen Drown, Grade	123.75
Fred Nason, Truck	57.00
Town of Wakefield, Cold Patch	54.00
Ray Road Equipment, Culverts	496.48
George Wakefield, Bulldozer	91.50
R. L. Nason, Chain Saw	28.00
Henry Cotton, Chain Saw	3.00
Charles DiPrizio, Timber	63.87
Dept. of Public Welfare, O. A. S. I.	54.18
Collector of Internal Revenue, Withholding Tax	61.60
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	\$ 3,281.26

**Winter Highway**

R. L. Nason	\$ 940.80
E. B. Nason	116.58
R. W. Nason	17.64
A. L. Nason	14.11
E. E. Nason	4.90
R. L. Cate	31.18
Guy Garland	90.60
J. Smith	19.49
M. R. Wilson & Son, Salt	18.90
Collector of Internal Revenue, Withholding Tax	12.90
Dept. of Public Welfare, O. A. S. I.	22.27
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	\$ 1,289.37

**GENERAL EXPENSES OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

R. H. Hazelton Co.	\$ 66.40
Wakefield Garage	294.05
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co.	327.96
Peterson's Express	2.10

**TOWN OF BROOKFIELD**

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A. J. Soucy	18.61
R. Swinerton	9.25
J. M. Haynes Estate	18.05
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	\$ 736.42

**OLD AGE ASSISTANCE AND  
AID TO TOTALLY DISABLED**

State of New Hampshire	.	\$ 672.67
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**MEMORIAL DAY**

The General Store, Flags	\$ 10.25
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**INTEREST**

Wolfeboro National Bank, Long-Term Note	\$ 25.00
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**O. A. S. I.**

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	\$ 109.78
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**LONG-TERM NOTE**

Wolfeboro National Bank	\$ 1,000.00
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**NEW EQUIPMENT**

R. C. Hazelton Co., New wing	
for truck	\$ 520.00
American Fire Equipment Co., Fire Hose	122.50
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	\$ 642.50

**SPECIAL**

Sanbornville Precinct	\$ 400.00
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**TOWN ROAD AID**

State of New Hampshire	\$ 284.71
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**TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN**

Malcolm M. Ferguson, Tax Collector	\$ 7.15
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**ADVANCED TAXES**

Malcolm M. Ferguson, Tax Collector	\$ 300.00
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**PAYMENT TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS**

State Treasurer:	
1953 Head Taxes	\$ 101.70

## ANNUAL REPORT

1954 Head Taxes	285.23
	\$ 386.93
Kenneth Berry, County Treasurer	\$ 1,774.04
School District:	
1953-1954	\$ 2,247.97
1954-1955	4,000.00
	\$ 6,247.97

## ABATEMENTS ALLOWED

New England Box Co., 1953 Levy	\$ 27.51
Levy 1953	7.00
Levy 1954	26.00
	\$ 60.51

**REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE  
TOWN OF BROOKFIELD  
ON DECEMBER 31, 1954**

Name of Trust Fund	Balance Beginning of Year	Income	Expended	Balance End of Year
R. A. Lang Est.	\$203.97	\$ 5.11	\$ 5.00	\$ 204.08
Thomas T. Deland	62.72	1.56		64.28
Noah Robinson	102.88	2.57	3.00	102.45
Joseph N. Podrasnik	626.40	15.73		642.13
Jasper T. Palmer	193.77	4.86		198.63
Mary G. Garland	212.05	5.32	3.00	214.37
Totals	\$1,401.79	\$35.15	\$11.00	\$1,425.94

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. GODFREY MATTSON

Trustee

**AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE**

We have examined the accounts of the various Town Officers in accordance with auditing standards required by the State Tax Commission and find them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ALICE M. CHURCHILL  
WENDELL P. KEENE

Town Auditors

January 22, 1955

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**REPORT OF YOUR FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

Howdy Folks. This is your friend smokey the fire prevention bear talking for C. Tracy Willey your local forest fire warden. You know how he is always asking you people to take it easy with fire in the woods? Well, he wants you to know that forest fires decreased last year. He knows it did rain some but it was the help of all you people who are giving their time and money and carefulness to prevent this shameful waste of our woodlands. But please remember this, folks, forest fires still do a lot of damage each year. And we got to work and work to whittle them down to our size. So when you're around forest areas, crush out your cigarette, hold your match till it's cold, drown your campfire and drown it again. If you have to burn grass or brush or rubbish, ask about the law first, also get your permit from your warden and last, have plenty of help handy. Please remember a permit is required for all open fires whether in an incinerator or on a piece of plowed ground. Your local forest fire warden will help you in your burning problem and he is as close as your telephone. Please call him.

Each year forest fires destroy enough sawtimber to build all the homes in a city of one-half million people.

Each year forest fires eat up enough sawtimber to make ties for 50,000 miles of railroad tracks.

Each year forest fires destroy enough pulp-size trees to provide a 12 months supply of newsprint for every newspaper in the United States.

**REMEMBER ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES**

Number of fires — 1. Number of acres burned — 3. Number of permits issued 4.

Forest Fire Warden  
C. TRACY WILLEY

District Chief  
ROBERT B. SMITH

## SCHOOL REPORT

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### LIST OF SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

**School Board**

WILLIAM W. D. TARLETON	CHARLES A. WITHAM
CHARLES A. COTTON	

**Clerk**

WILLIAM W. D. TARLETON
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**Treasurer**

MARY E. WITHAM
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**Truant Officer**

HAROLD FEIST
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### FINANCIAL REPORT

**June 30, 1953 to July 1, 1954**

**Brookfield School District**

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**Salaries of District Officers**

William Tarleton	\$	44.00
Charles A. Witham		30.00
Charles A. Cotton		30.00
Mary E. Witham		30.00
Lyman Belknap		2.00
Alice Churchill		2.00
Wendell P. Keene		2.00

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Superintendent's Salary	\$	140.00
Dist.'s Share, State Treas.	\$	147.49

**Tax for State-wide Supervision**

Per Capita Tax, State Treas.	\$	48.00
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**Salaries of Other Admin. Personnel**

Harold Feist	\$	10.00
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**Supplies and Expenses**

Blanche Buswell, Treas.	\$	116.34
Union No. 36		

## TOWN OF BROOKFIELD

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N. H. School Board Assoc.	3.00
Bank Service Charge	1.71
Treasurer's Expenses	1.78
School Board Expenses	1.00
N. H. Teacher's Retirement System	
Deduction	198.20
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	\$ 322.03

## Teachers' Salaries

Eugenia D. Hutchins	\$ 1,858.22
Eleanor M. Grace	220.00
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	\$ 2,078.22

## Teacher's Withholding Tax

Collector of Internal Rev.	\$ 483.20
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## Books and Other Instructional Aids

Scott Foresman & Co.	\$ 3.73
C. S. Hammond & Co.	17.95
American Book Co.	5.25
Houghton Mifflin	2.52
Education Progress Service	4.50
D. C. Heath and Co.	6.88
Harcourt, Brace & Co.	9.65
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	\$ 50.48

## Scholars' Supplies

Sears, Roebuck and Co.	\$ 12.60
Education Progress Service	5.60
General Store	1.95
Lovell Lake Market	1.96
J. M. Haynes Est.	1.10
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	\$ 23.21

## Salaries of Janitors

John L. Prindall	\$ 147.00
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## Fuel

Clyde Laskey	\$ 80.00
Charles Witham	5.00
William Tarleton	5.00

W. M. Lord Co.		5.00
		\$ 95.00
<b>Lights, Supplies and Expenses</b>		
Public Service Co.	\$ 47.02	
General Store	2.12	
Irene L. Cate	10.00	
E. M. Haynes Est.	11.05	
		\$ 70.19
<b>Repairs and Replacements</b>		
Diamond Match Co.	\$ 8.59	
Charles Witham	17.00	
William Tarleton	16.50	
Horace Manning	5.00	
Myron Cate	16.10	
J. C. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	49.25	
		\$ 112.44
<b>Health Supervision</b>		
Mrs. Rebecca Sanborn		\$ 102.94
<b>Transportation</b>		
Charles Witham	\$ 1,050.00	
Irene L. Cate	400.00	
		\$ 1,450.00
<b>Tuition</b>		
Nute High School		\$ 278.40
<b>Special Activities and Special Funds</b>		
Mrs. William Hansen	\$ 177.72	
Mary E. Witham	10.41	
		\$ 188.13
<b>Retirement, District's Share</b>		
Teacher's Salary	\$ 192.66	
Superintendent's Salary	7.61	
Mrs. Rebecca Sanborn	2.06	
		\$ 202.23
<b>Insurance, Treasurer's Bond</b>		
Wentworth Insurance Agency		\$ 5.00

**REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER****Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1954**

Cash on Hand July 1, 1953	\$ 2,199.03
Received from Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	\$ 4,747.97
Received from State Treasurer:	
Federal Funds (School Lunch)	88.13
Total Receipts	\$ 4,836.10
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$ 7,035.13
Less School Board Orders Paid	6,004.95
Balance on Hand June 30, 1954	\$ 1,030.18

Audited July 21, 1954

ALICE M. CHURCHILL

WENDELL P. KEENE

Auditors

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. WITHAM

Treas.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Board and Citizens of Brookfield:

During the school year 1953-54 Mrs. Eugenia Hutchins continued as teacher of the Churchill School for the second year. It is fortunate that we have a teachers' college graduate with some years of experience within commuting distance of the school, and one who has such a sincere interest in the welfare of the pupils.

Mrs. Rebecca Sanborn, R. N., continued her valuable service as school nurse. Both Mrs. Hutchins and Mrs. Sanborn are continuing their work in the Churchill School during the current year.

In my opinion the Mothers' Club deserves a medal for distinguished service. Few organizations have such a long and continuous record of persistent effort as has this group in sponsoring and providing materially for the school lunch program. Federal reimbursement of \$88.13 and about \$60.00 worth of surplus foods were received. The district appropriation was of great assistance.

It is impossible to measure the value of this service, but authorities in the field of child growth and development have made plain the importance of warm, nourishing, and balanced meals in the formative, early childhood years. The foundation laid during this period may well determine to a large degree the kind of adult the child becomes. Brookfield can justly be proud that this service is available to all the children in its school.

During the past year the exterior of the school building was painted. This, with the interior painting done a short time before puts the building now in good condition.

The excellent dental service program initiated by Mrs. Eva Willey has been continued. In an area where the incidence of dental caries is one of the highest in the country, such a service is outstanding and of exceptional value in its contribution to the health of the pupils. Those responsible for this deserve commendation and encouragement.

Two high school pupils were enrolled at Nute High School during the past year. During the current year there are two pupils at Brewster Academy and one at Nute High School. The current tuition rate is \$275.00 at Brewster Academy and \$250.00

at Nute High School. Costs of education throughout the country are increasing and these tuition rates may be expected to increase in the future, though perhaps not as rapidly as during the past five years.

This increase in the cost of education is true also of elementary schools. In addition to the effect of inflation, the very inadequate supply of teachers and increasing number of pupils has brought about a condition wherein the costs of school have exceeded, in many instances, the costs of town government operations.

Teacher supply is critical. National sources have reported, for the current year, a need of 170,000 teachers and only 35,000 graduates coming out of college prepared to teach. This national situation is reflected in the need and supply ratio in New Hampshire. Competent young men and women should be urged to enter the teaching profession.

The fine cooperation of school board, teacher, nurse, pupils, and citizens is gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT H. BRASIER

Superintendent of Schools

January 26, 1955

## SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1955-1956

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School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1955.

### DETAILED STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Salaries of district officers	\$ 140.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	117.60
Tax for state-wide supervision	28.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	10.00
Supplies and expenses	151.15
Elementary teachers' salaries	2,900.00
Books and other instructional aids	62.62
Scholars' supplies	50.00
Salaries of janitors	150.00
Fuel or heat	100.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	75.00
Repairs and replacements	50.00
Health supervision	60.00
Transportation — high	100.00
Transportation — elementary	1,450.00
Tuition — high	1,140.00
Special activities and special funds	10.00
School lunch	100.00
Teachers' retirement	213.00
Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses	5.00
Contingency fund	100.00
 Total Amount Required to Meet School Board's Budget	 \$ 7,022.37
Deficiency Appropriation	184.00
 Total Appropriations to be voted by School District	 \$ 7,206.37

**STATISTICAL REPORT**

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Number of weeks of school year	37
Number of half-days in session	360
Total Number of different pupils registered	
Boys — 8      Girls — 4	12
Average membership	11.60
Per cent of attendance	90.6
Average number of tardiness	—
Number of pupils transported at district expense	11
Number of visits to school by Superintendent	28
Number of School Board meetings held	6

**ANNUAL REPORT OF  
SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 36**

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July 1, 1953, Balance on hand	\$ 156.78
Income	6,304.45
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Total	\$ 6,461.23
Expense	
Expenses of Supervisory Union office	\$ 552.44
Secretary's salary	1,107.00
Workshop	8.00
Educational Aids	178.71
Visual Aids	220.02
*Superintendent's Salary	3,275.00
Mainco Repairs	21.50
New Equipment	20.71
Bank Service charges	4.45
Superintendent's Travel Expense	1,000.00
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Total	\$ 6,387.83
Balance on hand June 30, 1954	73.40
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	\$ 6,461.23
Brookfield School District's share of Superintendent's	
Salary	\$ 112.99
The District's share of Supervisory Union Expenses	\$ 59.00
Tax for Statewide Supervision	\$ 48.00
 *State's share of Superintendent's Salary	\$ 2,275.00

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

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	Number of Pupils
Vision Tests	12
Hearing Tests	12
Inspections	13
Heights	24
Weights	25
Wood Light	10
Home Visits	19
Tuberculosis	13
Chest X-Ray	4
Electrocardiogram	1

Defcts Found By School Nurse-Teacher	Number of Cases	Number of Pupils Seen or Treated by Family Physician
Vision	3	3
Hearing	1	
Skin	1	1
Overweight	1	1
Tonsils	1	1
Clinics and Special Referrals		
Dental — Local Program		9
Bureau of Dental Services, N. H.		
Dept. of Health Cleanings and		
Fluoride Services		6

Chest X-Ray Clinic April 21, 1954.

REBECCA P. SANBORN, R. N.

**Births Registered in the Town of Brookfield, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954**

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	No. of Child	Li. or Stillborn	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Parents	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
June 8	Wolfeboro	David Richard Soucy	M	L 4	W	Armond J. Soucy	Louise L. Swinerton	W	Brookfield	Sandblaster	Rochester

**Marriages Registered in the Town of Brookfield, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954**

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Age	Color	No. of Marriage	Residence at Time of Marriage	Occupation of Bride and Groom	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name, Residence Official, Station by Whom Married
Jan. 13	Milton	Albert Webster Smith Leon Mary MacDonald	Dover Brookfield	68 69	W W	Janitor Housewife	N. H.	Mass. N. H.	J. Albert Smith Ida Cook Edward Hall Ora May Hall	Mass. Mass. Canada Canada	Rev. Geo. F. Currier Baptist Minister Milton

**Deaths Registered in the Town of Brookfield, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954**

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age in Years	Place of Birth	Occupation			Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
					Col.	Sex	Spouse, Mar.; Wid.		
1953 Dec. 6	Wolleboro	Elizabeth W. Hutchins	91	No. Wakefield	F	W	W	Joseph S. Wentworth	Mary E. Weeks
1954 Oct. 2	Brookfield	Ida W. Ridout	82	Maine	F	W	W	George F. Whelpley	Elizabeth A. Heley a
Nov. 5	Brookfield	Addie E. Podravnik	78	Chicago, Ill.	F	W	W	Thomas A. Bowden	Alexine Ferguson
Nov. 10	Brookline, Mass.	Maude H. Rockwell	93	Penn, Ind.	F	W	W	John H. Helm	Margaret Ridenom

I hereby certify that the births, marriages and deaths are correct to the best of my knowledge.

C. TRACY WILLEY, Town Clerk

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